



Law Enforcement Exploring is an exciting way for young men and women to explore the dynamic field of policing while building relationships with the police officers that serve their community!

The Ventura Police Explorer Program is designed to give community members aged 14-18 the opportunity to earn first-hand knowledge of the challenges, duties, and responsibilities of a police officer and to gain a better understanding of the law enforcement profession. The program gives young residents the opportunity to learn more about the Ventura Police Department while developing valuable career, leadership, social, and life skills found in serving their community.



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EXPLORER PROGRAM

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A MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF:



"Our goal with the Explorer Program is to reach out to our community and build strong, productive, and lasting relationships with our youth. It's important we make connections early and provide opportunities for education about a career in policing."

- Darin Schindler, Police Chief

EXPLORING

All Exploring programs are based on the following five areas of emphasis:

- 1 Career Opportunities
- 2 Life Skills
- 3 Citizenship
- 4 Character Development
- 5 Leadership Experience

WHAT TO EXPECT

As an Explorer, you will participate in:

- Patrol Ride-Alongs
- Traffic Control
- Accident Investigations
- Explorer Academy Preparation
- Drug Awareness
- Defensive Tactics
- Station Operations
- Specialized Details
- Evidence Collection and Processing
- Explorer Competitions
- Marching & Physical Training
- Community Service
- Exposure to City Government
- & much more!

QUALIFICATIONS

To become a member of the Ventura Police Department Explorer Program, you **MUST**:

- Be a graduate of the 8th grade and be between the ages of 14 and 18 years old.
- Be enrolled in high school.
- Live or work in the city of Ventura.
- Maintain a minimum 2.0 Grade Point Average (GPA).
- Maintain a good driving record - if applicable.
- Pass a criminal background check.
- Pass an applicant screening process.
- Be of good moral character and not engage in the use of drugs or alcohol.
- Have an interest in learning about law enforcement and in serving your community.
- Attend regular meetings - two per month.
- Be dependable!



APPLY TO BE A VPD EXPLORER TODAY!

How to Apply:

Visit our website to access the application:

www.CityofVentura.ca.gov/ExplorerProgram

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